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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Hans-Peter Josel et al.	)	
	)	Examiner Jon D. Epperson, Ph.D.
Serial No. 09/801,157	)	
	)	Group Art Unit No. 1639
Filing Date: March 7, 2001	)	
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For: Oligomeric Carrier Molecules with	)	
Defined Incorporated Marker	)	
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendment and remarks.

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